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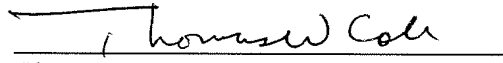
This amendment revises the claims consistent with the applicants' election of Group 1 and SEQ ID NO: 1 without traverse.

This amendment further adds new claims 14-20 which define the invention in more generic terms while still electing SEQ ID NO: 1. New claim 14 is generic by virtue of its recitation of "a protein composed of SEQ ID No. 1 characterized by having a nature to interact with at least one of the group consisting of proteasome and a polyubiquitin chain." Claims 15-20 are each dependent on new claim 14, and hence are properly examinable.

This application is now ready for examination on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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